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ad line -
H. Pease Esq
Sir

St Louis Mo
June 2^d 1844

A few days since I rec^d
a letter was left at my office. by
a Dr Vansturdiford. purporting to
have been written by you. ^{to me} on a
subject of relative to some subject
or business upon which I had previously
by written you & consulted you. & as
it seems, had engaged you to
act as agent or intercessor in
accomplishing ^{my} ~~the~~ object in view.
What the particular object was
or whom concerned, is not expressed,
but obscurely alluded to in the
letter, as though it were well under-
stood by the correspondents, but
no names are mentioned - nor
clue given by to my ^{understanding} ~~understanding~~
of the subject - having no knowledge
of any circumstance or suggestion
to which the letter refers - or agency
in communicating with you on any
subject whatever - I therefore drop
you this note ~~without any~~ from the
presumption that some mistake
of purpose or misdirection of com-
munication exists, & that you may
be able to rectify & explain it,
if of consequence enough to command
your attention & I should like to hear
from you on the subject, whether
you be able to solve the obscurity
or not -
Yrs Respectfully
H. P.

x The letter was shown to your
sister in law Mrs. Welch & she
recognized ~~the contents~~ it
as your hand writing
but know nothing of the
subject attached to.

Letter to

W. H. Pease